REMARKS

The Preliminary Amendment is being filed in order to amend the description of the figures pursuant to the replacement drawings being filed concurrently, and to add new Claims 6-35. The new claims are directed to a method for generating a CD8+ T cell immune response in a mammal against at least one target antigen, comprising administering to said mammal at least one dose of i) a priming composition comprising a source of one or more CD8+ T cell epitopes of the target antigen, and ii) a boosting composition comprising a source of one or more CD8+ T cell epitopes of the target antigen, including at least one CD8+ T cell epitope which is the same as a CD8+ T cell epitope of the priming composition, wherein the source of CD8+ T cell epitopes is a recombinant avipox virus, with the proviso that if the source of the epitopes in (i) is a viral vector, the viral vector in (ii) is derived from a different virus.

Support for the Claims 6-35 can be found, for example, on page 13, lines 14-17; page 14, lines 7-10; page 15, lines 16-17 and original Claim 1 of the specification. No new matter has been added.

<u>Information Disclosure Statement</u>

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently herewith. Entry of the IDS is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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